WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A clip for securing a trim strip to a vehicle body, comprising:

a first portion having a flange device configured to mate with a corresponding flange device on the trim strip; and

a second portion slidably coupled to the first portion to allow relative movement between said first and second portions along a first axis, said second portion being configured for secure mounting to a T-stud of the vehicle body.

2. The clip of claim 1, wherein said flange device of said first portion comprises:

teeth that mate with complementary teeth of said flange device of said trim strip.

3. The clip of claim 1, wherein each of the flange devices comprises first and second flange sections.

4. The clip of claim 1, wherein the first portion receives the second portion therein, such that relative movement of said first portion relative to said second portion allows positioning of said trim strip relative to the vehicle.

5. The clip of claim 4, wherein a ratcheting device allows the first and second portions to move relative to each other in only one direction along said first axis.

6. The clip of claim 5, wherein the ratcheting device comprises:
first teeth on the first portion; and
second teeth on the second portion.

7. The clip of claim 1, wherein the first portion further comprises a tongue device that interacts with the vehicle body after the second portion is secured to the T-stud and the first portion is moved relative to the second portion to a predetermined position.

8. The clip of claim 7, wherein the tongue device comprises first and second tongue sections.

9. The clip of claim 1, wherein the first body portion further comprises a stabilizing device that interacts with the main body.

10. The clip of claim 1, wherein the stabilizing device comprises first and second extensions.

11. The clip of claim 1, wherein the securing device of the second body portion comprises:
a cavity;
a stop; and
a shoulder section,
wherein the T-stud is received in the cavity and held in engagement with the shoulder section by the stop.

12. A method, comprising:

attaching a clip having a first portion, a second portion, and a tongue to a T-stud of a vehicle; and

sliding the first portion with respect to the second portion until the tongue is in contact with the vehicle, such that the clip is properly aligned with the vehicle.

13. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

securing a trim strip to the clip.

14. The method of claim 13, where the securing step comprises:

engaging teeth on the trim strip with complementary teeth on the clip.

15. The method of claim 12, wherein said sliding step comprises:

ratcheting the first portion relative to the second portion so that sliding is possible in only one direction.

16. The method of claim 15, wherein the coupling comprises:

engaging teeth on the first portion with complementary teeth on the second portion.

17. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

stabilizing the clip relative to the vehicle.

18. A clip, comprising:

a first portion configured to be fixedly attached to a vehicle; and

a second portion slidably engaging said first portion and configured for mounting of a trim thereon, said slidable engagement between said first and second portions permitting positioning of said trim with respect to the vehicle.

19. The clip of claim 18, further comprising:

a ratchet device having a first section coupled to the first portion and a second section coupled to the second portion, the ratchet device allowing the second portion to slidable engage with the first portion.

20. A clip for securing trim to a body, comprising:

a first portion having a first side configured to be mated against a surface of the body and a second, opposing side configured to mate with the trim, said second side having means for securely coupling to the trim; and

a second portion configured to be attached to said body, said second portion being disposed within a channel in said first portion, said first portion being slidable relative to said second portion along a first axis, wherein said first portion is configured to move relative to said second portion to permit adjustment of a position on the body of trim coupled to said first portion.

21. The clip of claim 20, wherein said coupling means of said first portion comprises at least one toothed opening configured to receive a corresponding toothed extension of the trim.

22. The clip of claim 21, wherein said clip further comprises:

means for limiting movement of said first portion relative to said second portion along a first axis in only one direction.

23. The clip of claim 22, wherein said limiting means comprises:

teeth formed on a surface of said second portion; and

complementary teeth formed on a surface of said first portion, said teeth engaging said complementary teeth to permit movement of said first portion relative to said second portion in only one direction along said first axis.

24. The claim of claim 23, wherein said second portion comprises:

means for attaching said second portion to said body.

25. The claim of claim 20, wherein said second portion comprises:

means for attaching said second portion to said body.

26. The claim of claim 25, wherein said attaching means comprises:

an opening in said second portion configured to receive a T-stud of the body, said opening having a first opening portion with a size sufficient to receive a head of said T-stud and a second opening portion having a shoulder configured to trap and hold said head of said T-stud to prevent said head from being removed from said second opening portion.